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Art Unit: 1643

For: ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES  
CODING FOR TUMOR REJECTION  
ANTIGEN PRECURSOR MAGE-4 AND 41  
AND USES THEREOF

Examiner: A. M. Harris

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

On November 10, 2006, applicants responded to the URGENT requests, and frequent telephone messages from the Examiner regarding this case, and the need to "resolve the matter urgently" as one message stated.

Two months later, it appears that nothing has left the Group, and the sequence corrections have not been made.

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The issue fee was paid on October 18, 2005. There is no reasonable explanation for the delays in the issuance of this patent, and frankly applicants do not understand the delays.

A prompt explanation for the delays, and prompt resolution of the issues, are called for.

To facilitate matters, this STATUS INQUIRY has been sent to the Supervisory Primary Examiner as well.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. NY-LUD 5353-US5-DIV (10016355) from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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